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1. [] all buildings of the expanded Tsitsihar Railway Equipment Factory were completed and 80 percent of the machinery had been installed. The equipment to be installed [] consists of 241 machines from the Soviet Union, including two 12-ton cranes, 4 other cranes, 10 coil spring compressors (311150X1-HUM 1090/1734/7806/2208/5956/2894), 10 lathes, casting molds (6644/0992/2894), and forges (6939/6644/2894). Soviet technicians attached to the Chinese Changchun Railway assisted in the construction of the factory which will make carriages and freight cars and assemble and repair locomotives. 50X1-HUM
2. [] construction was begun on a 20 kilometer railway between Wangching (129-50, 43-17) and Tiyyinkou (0966/5593/3297). The railway was completed [] and opened to traffic [] The railway has a 530 meter tunnel and a 103 meter bridge. 50X1-HUM
3. [] the construction of a railway parallel to the Chinese Changchun Railway between Harbin and Changchun was completed.¹ [] traffic on the line was moving at a speed of 40 kilometers per hour. The construction of the line was directed by Ku-t'e-liang-shao-fu (0657/3676/0224/1421/1133), a Soviet expert attached to the Changchun Engineering Section. 50X1-HUM
4. [] about 9,000 men of the 16 Army, 5 Army Group, in Kweichow Province were organized into a railway division to expedite the construction of the T'ien-shui-Ch'engtu Railway. The men were sent to the Teyang (104-03, 31-08) area to begin work on the Ch'engtu-Luehyang (105-57, 33-20) section. [] the Ministry of Railways was waiting for an inspection report of Soviet rail expert Ao-ni-k'o-fu (1159/1441/0668/1133) before determining the rail route from Luehyang north to T'ien-shui.² 50X1-HUM

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1. [] Comment. The construction of the parallel railway probably refers to the double-tracking of the railway between Changchun and Harbin. Information from an independent agency [] obtained from a Russian engineer who recently left Harbin, indicates that the railway between Harbin and Mukden has been double-tracked. 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM
2. [] Comment. A Communist press item [] states that work on the Ch'engtu-T'ientshui Railway was begun []. The Communists estimated that the first stage of construction to Mienyang would be completed [] the second stage to Luehvang [] and the entire line to b 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM

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